

# Preferred site chosen for Leavenworth substation

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WENATCHEE — The Chelan County PUD appears to have found a site for a new substation in Leavenworth on land belonging to a willing seller in a spot that meets the approval of city officials.

The site on land owned by Upper Valley MEND, a nonprofit that provides charitable services to area residents in need.

The land is about 1.5 miles north of town along Chumstick Highway and the back side of Rattlesnake Hill. It's about halfway between the highway and Titus Road to the west.

"We're working with the city now on conditional-use permits," PUD spokeswoman Teka Sellers said Friday. "We've received fairly positive comments in Leavenworth."

Officials hope to build and energize the new substation by sometime in 2020.

City officials also approve of the site, but say the PUD can use a city-owned property if the MEND site doesn't work.

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